## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

June 16, 1860.—Ordered to be printed.

Mr. Green made the following

## REPORT.

[To accompany bill S. 386.]

The Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred (Senate bill No. 386) "a bill explanatory of an act entitled "An act supplementary to an act to authorize notaries public to take and certify oaths, affirmations, and acknowledgments, in certain cases," having had the same under consideration, report:

That after a full examination of the existing laws, (of 16th September, 1850, and 29th July, 1854,) they are of opinion that there is no necessity for further legislation on the subject; that these statutes now fully authorize and empower any notary public duly appointed within the District of Columbia to take acknowledgments of deeds for the conveyance of personal or real estate, or of any interest therein, in the same manner as when such acknowledgments are taken by one or more justices of the peace of the District of Columbia, and that all acknowledgments so taken by any such notary public since the 29th of July, 1854, are valid and of binding effect.